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COMBINED REQUEST UNDER 37 CFR 3.81(b) TO CORRECT ASSIGNMENT DATA and REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

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Sir:

This is a request to correct the applicant's error in providing incorrect or erroneous assignment data, and once this request is granted, to issue a Certificate of Correction under 37 CFR 1.323. More specifically, these requests are being submitted as a follow up to the USPTO's denial of a Certificate of Correction, because the applicant failed first to request and be granted a correction of the error in the assignment data, as it appeared on the Fee(s) Transmittal Form PTOL-85B.

Accordingly, to make this request complete, the assignee and undersigned affirm that:

- A. The assignment in question (i.e., the addition of Shinichiro Nakayama as an assignee, in addition to Kabushiki Kaisha Iken Kougyou, which is already listed on the patent), was properly submitted for recordation as set forth in 37 CFR 3.11 before issuance of the subject patent. Please refer to the attached assignment recordation data attached herewith.
- B. A Request for a Certificate of Correction under 37 CFR 1.323 is being made herewith. The required fee for this request under 37 CFR 1.20(a) has already been paid to the USPTO on October 20, 2009.
- C. The processing fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i) (\$130.00) is enclosed herewith.

Facts in Support of Request for Certificate of Correction

The following information is repeated substantially from the patentee's earlier request, submitted on October 20, 2009.

One of the assignees for the present issued patent was not properly listed on the cover sheet of the patent document. More specifically, although initially the application was assigned solely to Kabushiki Kaisha Iken Kougyou, on September 25, 2006, before issuance of the subject patent, a further assignment was recorded, granting a fifty percent (50%) right back to the inventor, Shinichiro Nakayama.

Therefore, both Kabushiki Kaisha Iken Kougyou and Shinichiro Nakayama should have been listed together as coassignees.

The attached Certificate of Correction (proposed) indicates that Shinichiro Nakayama of Sagamihara-shi (JP) also is an assignee for the above patent.

A Certificate of Correction noting this change is respectfully requested. The omission of the proper assignee data occurred through error, due to the fault of the undersigned attorney. Accordingly, the required fee of \$100.00 was previously submitted for consideration of the Request for Certificate of Correction.

Respectfully submitted,

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